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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Approval of Affiliated Interest Transactions Between W.E.
Power, LLC; Wisconsin Electric Power Company; and Wisconsin
Energy Corporation 05-AE-109

Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Wisconsin
Energy Corporation; and W.E. Power, LLC; for a Certificate of
Public Convenience and Necessity for Construction of Two Large
Electric Generation Facilities, the Port Washington Generating
Station, and Associated High Voltage Transmission and 05-CE-117
Natural Gas Interconnection Facilities to be Located in Ozaukee County

Application of Wisconsin Gas Company, as a Gas Public Utility,
for Authority to Construct a High-Pressure Natural Gas Line in
Washington and Ozaukee Counties, Wisconsin 6650-CG-211

Application of American Transmission Company for a Certificate
of Authority to Rebuild and Upgrade Certain Transmission System
Facilities to Support the Port Washington Generating Station 137-CE-104

NOTICE OF HEARING

Direct Testimony Due:	Friday, August 2, 2002 - Noon (Commission staff and full parties, other than project applicants)
Rebuttal Testimony Due:	Friday, August 30, 2002 - Noon (Commission staff and all full parties, including project applicants)
Surrebuttal Testimony Due:	Thursday, September 12, 2002 - Noon (Commission staff and all full parties, including project applicants)
Hearing Dates:	Public Hearings: Wednesday, August 28, 2002 - 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Final Prehearing Conference: Friday September 13, 2002 – 9:00 a.m. Technical Hearings: Wednesday, September 18, 2002 - 9:00 a.m.
Hearing Locations:	Public Hearings: Lakeview Hospitality Room at the Country Inn & Suites, 350 East Seven Hills Road, Port Washington, WI. Final Prehearing Conference and Technical Hearings: Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI (Amnicon Falls Hearing Room – 1st Floor)

THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO consider the following applications as the first phase of the entire Power the Future project proposal: (1) application of W.E. Power and Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct and place in operation approximately 1,090 MW of combined-cycle gas-based generating capacity at the Port Washington Power Plant site; (2) application of Wisconsin Gas Company (WGC) for a Certificate of Authority (CA) to construct and place in operation a natural gas pipeline lateral to transport natural gas from the ANR gate station to the Port Washington Power Plant site, where that gas will be used to fuel the proposed generating capacity and reinforce the gas distribution system in the Port Washington area; (3) application of the American Transmission Company (ATC) for a CA to upgrade existing transmission lines and substations to support the new generating units at Port Washington; and (4) approval of a series of affiliated interest agreements between WEPCO and the project companies in which W.E. Power has a majority ownership interest.

If approval is received to construct these two new generating units, the electric and natural gas transmission upgrades will support the new units at Port Washington. The electric transmission improvements include rebuilding the two Port Washington-Saukville transmission lines, rebuilding the Port Washington-Range Line transmission line and 138 kV substation improvements at the Port Washington, Saukville, and Range Line substations.

The Port Washington site is located at the downtown harbor area of the city of Port Washington. It is the present location of coal-based generating units owned and operated by WEPCO. The Port Washington and Saukville Substations are located in Ozaukee County and the Range Line Substation is located in Milwaukee County. The transmission lines proposed for rebuilding and improvements are located throughout several cities, towns, and villages in Milwaukee and Ozaukee counties.

Copies of the construction applications are available for public review at public libraries throughout the project area. Copies of the construction applications are also available at the office of the clerks for each county, town, village, and city within close proximity of the project area.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2002, at 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Lakeview Hospitality Room at the Country Inn & Suites, 350 East Seven Hills Road, Port Washington, Wisconsin. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. A final prehearing conference, in preparation for the technical hearings, will be held on Friday, September 13, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. Technical hearings will commence on Wednesday, September 18, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. Both the prehearing conference and the technical hearings will be in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below. The technical hearings will continue as scheduled by the Administrative Law Judge.

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Full parties must comply with the schedule for prepared testimony in this notice. Any other individual who wishes to participate in the hearing is encouraged to testify during the public hearing sessions and does not have to prepare testimony in writing or in advance of the hearing session. Members of the public may also obtain or request copies of testimony from the Commission, the applicant, and any full parties. Individuals are also encouraged to attend and listen to the technical hearings. Commission testimony or a list of full parties may be obtained at the hearing session or prior to the hearings by contacting the Commission docket coordinator at the number listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Timothy B. Jones at (608) 266-1613.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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